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TO DIRNSA ZEO ~~SECRET SPOKE~~ FOLLOW UP NR. 2 AND FINAL TO USN 467N CRITIC  
 1-70. 1. AT 0745Z 28 JAN. U.S. AIRFORCE ACFT CONDUCTING SEARCH AND RESCU  
 OPERATIONS (SAR) IN THE VICINITY OF 13°11'N 105°50'E WERE ATTACKED BY TWO VINH  
 BASED MIG 21 ACFT. THE MIG'S WERE FIRST NOTED AT 0741Z IN COMMUNICATIONS WITH  
 VINH AFLD VROUIND CONTROL INTERCEPT CONTROLLER. THE CONTPTQPD INSTRUCTED THE  
 MIRA TO ATTACK. AT 0745Z ONE MIG AIRCRAFT HAD STRAFED HIS TARGET AND REPORTED  
 HIM BURNING. THE CONTROLLER THEN INSTRUCTED HIM TO RETURN TO VINH. AT 0756Z THE  
 SECOND MIG ACFT WAS TOLD, A F-4 WAS IN HIS AREA. AT 0758Z HIS FIRST MIG  
 AIRCRAFT LANDED AT VINH. THE CONTROLLER AT VINH RECIEVED NO RESPONSE ON  
 REPEATED CALLS TO THE SECOND AIRCRAFT, AND THERE WERE NO INDICATIONS OF IT  
 LANDING THERE. 2. COLLATERAL INFO RECEIVED OVER AIR FORCE SAR CIRCUITS  
 INDICATED THAT MIG AIRCRAFT MADE STRAFING RUNS ON THEIR AIRCRAFT CONDUCTING  
 SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS AND THAT ONE JOLLY GREEN SAR HELD HAD BEEN SHOT  
 DOWN. 280 NNNH

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